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In re the Application of

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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A COATING SUCH AS A PAINT OR A VARNISH

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired April 2, 2003, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 141846 in the amount of \$110 in payment for:

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